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1. IN DARKNESS OF EARLY EVENING MARCH 23, TWO SPANISH-SPEAKING MEN ATTEMPTED TO ROB FOUR MEMBERS OF SAN DIEGO BORDER CRIME TASK FORCE ON DUTY ABOUT 300 YARDS INSIDE BORDER IN DEAD MAN'S CANYON (NOT FAR FROM WHERE MEXICAN IMMIGRATION OFFICIAL SHOT FEBRUARY 1). TASK FORCE MEMBERS, AS CUSTOMARY, WERE DRESSED LIKE ILLEGALS WHO PASS THROUGH THE AREA. FIRING SUED, AND THE TWO BANDITS PLUS TWO POLICEMEN WOUNDED, NONCRITICALLY, ALL BY SHOTS FIRED BY POLICE. GUN WHICH POLICE OFFICERS HAD SEEN IN HAND OF BANDIT TURNED OUT TO BE STARTER PISTOL. IN AFTERMATH, TIJUANA POLICE ALSO HAD TO COME TO SCENE TO DRIVE OFF TIJUANA RESIDENTS WHO HAD APPEARED AT TOP OF CANYON TO THROW ROCKS DOWN AT OTHER OFFICERS AT SCENE AND TO ROLL TORCHED TIRES DOWN ON THEM.

2. POLICE STILL SEEKING POSITIVELY TO IDENTIFY BANDITS. THE MEN CLAIM TO BE ILLEGALS. ONE MAY BE JUVENILE.

3. PREVIOUS DAY, AGAIN IN SAME AREA, ILLEGAL FEMALE RAPED AND ROBBED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT WHILE HER CHILD AND COMPANIONS HELD NEARBY.
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THIS KIND OF CRIME NOT UNUSUAL; WE MENTION IT ONLY BECAUSE IT WAS DURING DAY AND PERHAPS AN INDICATION OF GROWING BOLDNESS ON PART OF BANDITS.

4. SAN DIEGO POLICE OFFICER WITH WHOM WE DISCUSSED SHOOTING NOTED INCREASE IN BORDER VIOLENCE AND EXPRESSED VIEW IT WILL CONTINUE TO GROW. FROM TIJUANA WE FIND NO REASON TO DISAGREE WITH HIM AS

LONG AS VULNERABLE VICTIMS ARE ABLE TO CROSS BORDER IN LARGE
NUMBERS AND AS LONG AS THERE IS INADEQUATE MANPOWER ON US SIDE
TO DETER NOT ONLY THE BORDER CROSSERS BUT ALSO THOSE WHO PREY ON
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